REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of the application in view of the above amendment and following remarks to follow are respectfully requested.

Applicant gratefully acknowledges the allowance of claims 1-6.

Claims 7-9 and 12-14 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112 because allegedly the elements of the claims are not clearly linked or associated with corresponding structures disclosed in the specification. The fifth full paragraph of page 2 of the specification, as amended above, clearly links the elements of the claims to structures described in the specification.

The above amendment of the paragraph on page 2 starting at line 19 of the specification is based on fig. 2 of the original disclosure, as well as another description of Fig. 2 at page 5 line 25 to page 6 line 9 of the original specification, as well as the description of Fig. 3 from page 6 line 10 to page 7 line 2 of the original specification.

In addition, Applicant denies any statement, position or averment of the Examiner that is not specifically addressed by the foregoing argument and response. Any rejections and/or points of argument not addressed would appear to be moot in view of the presented remarks. However, the Applicant reserves the right to submit further arguments in support of the above stated position, should that become necessary. No arguments are waived and none of the Examiner's statements are conceded.

Applicants have made a diligent and sincere effort to place this application in condition for immediate allowance and notice to this effect is earnestly solicited.

Applicant may be reached by telephone at the number given below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any fee (except the issue fee) including fees for any required extension of time, to Account No. 14-1270.

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